NORTHFIELD EMERGENCY REFERENCE

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HOW CAN I GET HELP?

Help is available – but in order to get that help you **MUST** let people know you need help.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FEMA has many ways it can help, and it doesn't matter if you were a homeowner or a renter or anyone else – if you suffered a loss because of the flooding caused by hurricane Irene then help may be available – but – <u>YOU MUST APPLY TO GET THAT HELP</u>. If you don't apply, then FEMA will NOT know about you or your problems - so when in doubt: <u>APPLY ANYWAY</u>.

o Call:

1-800-621-3362

o Go Online:

www.disasterassistance.gov

• LOCAL HELP - Northfield Resource Center - 9 AM to 4:30 PM daily

The Northfield Resource Center is the local center for information and help.

o Call:

1-802-552-4776

o E-Mail:

NorthfieldFloodRelief@yahoo.com

Go Online:

www.db-geek.com/floodrelief/

Visit in person:

7 South Main Street, Mayo Building (center of Northfield)

LEGAL HELP - VT Bar Association

There is free Legal Help Available to Vermont Residents who have suffered damage from the flooding associated with Hurricane Irene. This Help is absolutely free for issues related to flooding and addresses Tax issues, Assistance with Forms, and general information and guidance.

o Call:

1-800-889-2047

o Go online:

www.vtlawhelp.org/disaster_Irene

Visit in Person:

7 South Main Street, Mayo Building, center of Northfield

• Help To Businesses - Small Business Administration (SBA)

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is responsible for providing affordable, timely and accessible financial assistance to non-profits and businesses of all sizes located in a declared disaster area. Financial assistance is available in the form of low-interest, long-term loans for losses that are not fully covered by insurance or other recoveries.

o Call:

1-800-659-2955

o Go Online:

www.sba.gov/content/business-physical-disaster-loans

Help to Businesses - VT Irene Flood Relief Fund

This Fund is evolving, with further information will be available soon.

o Call:

No phone is available at this time

o Go Online:

www.vtirenefund.org/

Help to Farms and Businesses - VT Emergency Development (VEDA)

The Vermont Economic Development Authority (VEDA) has allocated up to \$10 million in special low-interest financing for Vermont businesses and farms who suffered direct physical damage as a result of Hurricane Irene. The Hurricane Irene Assistance Loan Program funds are available immediately.

Applications will be reviewed and loans approved on a first-come, first-served basis until all available funds are exhausted.

o Call:

1-802-828-5627

o Go Online:

www.veda.org

HOW CAN I HELP?

There are many ways to assist. The need is staggering – just try and imagine the entire first floor of your home being put under 4 and more feet of water. Volunteers of all sorts are needed, as are donations of everything that people need to live while rebuilding their home and their lives.

The **Northfield Resource Center** is the central location for where you can go to help the citizens of Northfield.

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Donations of Money – Northfield Savings Bank

The Northfield Savings Bank has set up a special account for handling monetary donations to Northfield and its citizens.

Donations by Mail:

Make checks payable to **Northfield Emergency Relief Fund** and send to:

Northfield Emergency Relief Fund Northfield Savings Bank PO Box 347 33 South Main Street Northfield, VT 05663

Donations in person:

Visit any Northfield Savings bank and donate cash or checks to the teller in the name of the **Northfield Emergency Relief Fund**.

Online Resources

The following resources are available online:

- Vermont Emergency Management www.vem.vermont.gov/
- Vermont of Commerce and Commercial Development www.dca.state.vt.us/index.html
- Small Business Administration
 www.sba.gov/content/fact-sheet-homeowners-and-renters
- Northfield Disaster Resource Directory www.northfield-vt.gov/text/Current_Notices/Northfield_Disaster_Resource_Directory.pdf
- General Information www.db-geek.com/floodrelief/
- Facebook www.facebook.com/pages/Northfield-Vermont/266609026701622?sk=wall
- Map of Damage www.crisislanding.appspot.com/?crisis=2011_flooding_vermont
- Northfield Municipal Site
 www.northfield-vt.gov/text/Current_Notices/Current_Notices.htm